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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE  
TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED April 21, 2005**

MAIL STOP Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 21,  
2005, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks: